## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE BILL

No. 709

Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, FARNESE, SCHWANK, COSTA, MUTH, KEARNEY AND HUGHES, JUNE 5, 2019

REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, JUNE 5, 2019

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of May 1, 1984 (P.L.206, No.43), entitled "An act providing for safe drinking water; imposing powers and duties on the Department of Environmental Resources in relation thereto; and appropriating certain funds," further providing for penalties and remedies.

  The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Sections 13(f) of the act of May 1, 1984
- 9 (P.L.206, No.43), known as the Pennsylvania Safe Drinking Water
- 10  $\,$  Act, is amended and the section is amended by adding a
- 11 subsection to read:
- 12 Section 13. Penalties and remedies.
- 13 \* \* \*
- 14 (f) Preenforcement conference. -- Notwithstanding any other
- 15 provision of this act, before the department, the Office of
- 16 Attorney General or the district attorney of the affected county
- 17 shall institute any criminal proceedings against any person
- 18 pursuant to subsections (c), (d) and (e) it shall, in writing,
- 19 provide such person with an opportunity for a preenforcement

- 1 conference with the department.
- 2 (f.1) Criminal proceedings. -- The Office of Attorney General
- 3 under the act of October 15, 1980 (P.L.950, No.164), known as
- 4 the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, or the district attorney of the
- 5 <u>affected county may institute any criminal proceedings against</u>
- 6 any person pursuant to subsections (c), (d) and (e).
- 7 \* \* \*
- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.